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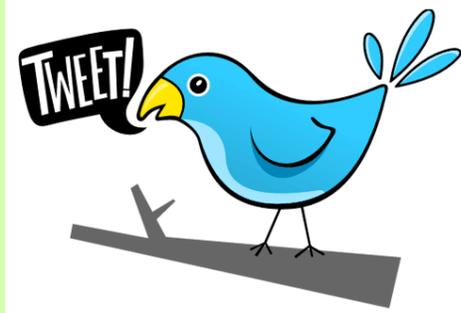
David Catlin, GOAS Chapter President

Here it is September again—after three months of no regular meetings and (almost) no field trips, it feels like the beginning of a new year.

I used to say, “The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society takes a vacation during the summer.” And that may have been true at one time. But, despite the fact that we do take a break from regular membership meetings and spend a lot more time chasing air conditioning than local birds, summer really isn’t all that quiet anymore for GOAS.

To start the season, we finished up the details of our spring Birdathon fundraiser. The deadline for getting contributions in was June 15 this year, so this is the first *Scissortail* in which we can celebrate the results: After a pretty quiet 2011 in which we raised about \$1,500 for our conservation education work, this year we tallied \$6,539.55! It was an incredibly successful Birdathon. Many people contributed to this success by putting together teams, soliciting donations, contributing incentive awards, and making gifts, but I would especially like to recognize and thank Myra Scroggs, who organized the event.

Many of those dollars go to sup-



port our Green Leadership Academy for Diverse Ecosystems program—which all of us know as “GLADE.” GLADE had a big summer, too. This year’s GLADE program welcomed 16 high school students to a week-long learning and leadership-training adventure in June. It was a fabulous success! One participant’s comments capture the power of GLADE very well: “The experience I received from GLADE was life changing! I realized even though I’m just a teenager, I can do big things!”

Over the summer, we also held a strategic planning meeting to review and discuss our direction as an organization, and the Field Trip Committee (led by Greg Swick) and Program Committee (Ann and Dan Liles) got together to map out a full menu of great activities for the upcoming months.

So, now that we’ve all returned from “vacation,” let’s *really* get busy enjoying birds and working for their conservation!

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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

GOAS BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th
7:00 p.m. Quail Creek Center

GOAS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th
7:00 p.m. Program

Springfield Conservation Nature Center



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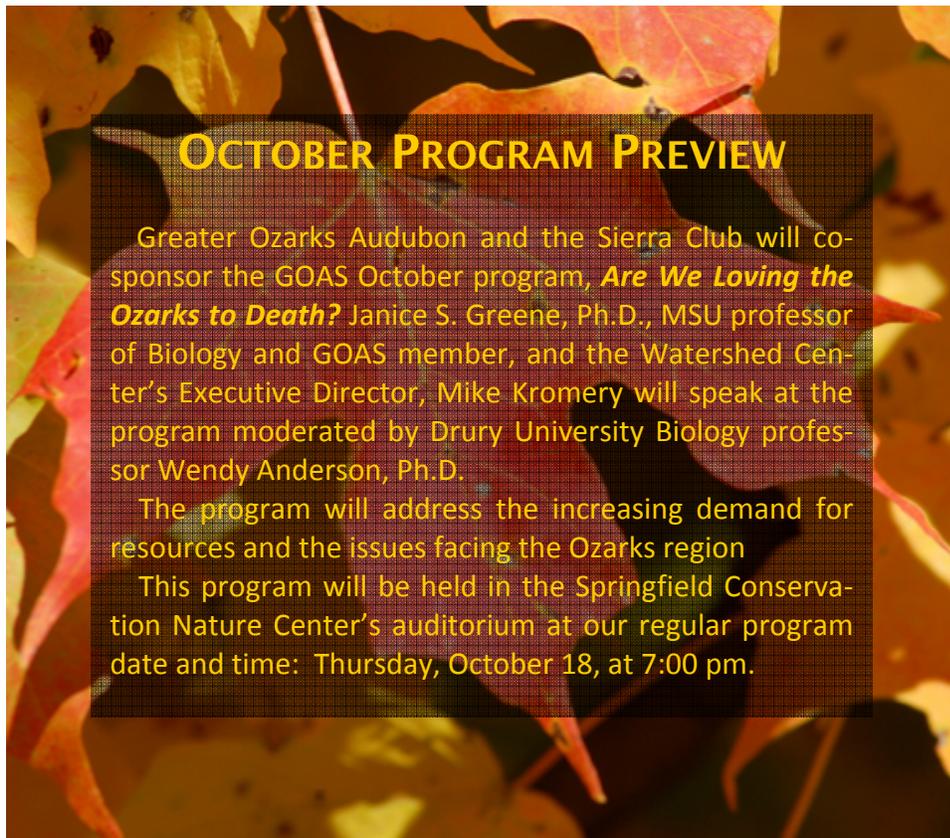
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OCTOBER PROGRAM PREVIEW

Greater Ozarks Audubon and the Sierra Club will co-sponsor the GOAS October program, *Are We Loving the Ozarks to Death?* Janice S. Greene, Ph.D., MSU professor of Biology and GOAS member, and the Watershed Center's Executive Director, Mike Kromery will speak at the program moderated by Drury University Biology professor Wendy Anderson, Ph.D.

The program will address the increasing demand for resources and the issues facing the Ozarks region

This program will be held in the Springfield Conservation Nature Center's auditorium at our regular program date and time: Thursday, October 18, at 7:00 pm.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM...

Take a virtual trip to Arizona as Jill Hayes, Debbie and Steve Martin, and Margie and Jerry Williams share their *Images of Arizona* at the September meeting.

Photography from their April 2012 trip captures hummingbirds, warblers, owls, raptors, flycatchers, woodpeckers and waterfowl, as well as habitat and local scenery. We'll also see blooming cactus, snakes, lizards, wildflowers, and even a coati. Their itinerary includes the Chiricahua and Huachuca mountains, Mt. Lemon, Mt. Ord, and Madera, Ash, Miller, Scheelite, Ramsey, and Cave Creek canyons.

Margie & Jerry Williams have been chapter members for 15 years, serving on the Board, and have chaired Conservation and Field Trip committees. Over the last five years, they have traveled to Ohio, Texas, Arizona, western Oklahoma and central Kansas enjoying birds and nature.

Jill Hays joined Audubon in 2008. She's had the distinct pleasure to take two trips to Arizona during 2012, and has amassed a very respectable life list in a short five years.

Steve and Debbie Martin have been Audubon members for 35 years, 25 years with GOAS. Their travels have taken them to Alaska, Central and South America, and all across North America.

Come at 6:30 pm, Thursday September 20th for refreshments and to socialize. The program will begin at 7:00 pm, followed by the membership meeting at the Springfield Conservation Nature Center, 4601 Nature Center Way (off Business Highway 65).

Dan and Ann Liles, Program Chairs



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Be sure to check out the fall field trip schedule included with this newsletter. We're offering a wide variety of field trip destinations and durations from two hours to two days, from your own backyard to mid-west Kansas.